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COUNTRY Austria REPORT

TOPIC Parndorf Airfield and Bruck/Leitha. Military Post

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REMARKS

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1. Between 28 October and 4 November 1953, the jet aircraft parked at Parndorf (P 48/X 77) airfield were usually covered with tarpaulins.

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No gun

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emplacements were observed at the field. There was apparently an underground command post covered by earth, about 1 meter high, in the south-eastern portion of the field. Between 28 October and 4 November, 12 to 14 fuel containers were installed underground at the place where they previously had been stored. In pits with a length of about 8 meters and a width of about 4 meters, two containers were installed side by side. A pump in a planking, about 1 meter high, was fitted on each container. On 4 November, two of the containers were still to be dug in.

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2. Between 8 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. on 2 November, the old headquarters at Bruck/Leitha was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered blue epaulets. Motor vehicles observed at the installation included jeep truck occupied by 15 officers with blue service color, fire truck and vanlike truck occupied by about 15 men wearing black fur jackets and fur caps. The latter vehicle proceeded toward Parndorf. The drivers of all vehicles wore black-bordered blue epaulets.²

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3. Between 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on 6 November, 9 MiG-15s were observed near the flight control station.

There was no flying. The weather was 10/10 overcast, there was easterly wind at about 8 km/h and visibility of about 25 kilometers. Next to a MiG-15, there was a van-like truck of type Moskovic from which apparently a black cable extended to the cabin of the MiG-15. The engine of the aircraft was not running. Only the driver of the van-like truck, who was not engaged in any activity was seen nearby. The long-wire antenna (Object No 11) had been dismantled. Next to the temporary wooden building, a truck which was loaded with a signal superstructure from which 3 rod antennas projected was seen. A radio mast, which was about 8 meters high, braced several times and had a disc on top (Object No 26) was seen just northeast of the motor vehicle shed (Object No 5). An installation of the same type on a mast about 6 meters high was north of the garage (Object No 18)

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beyond the road. A van-like truck with a rod antenna (Object No 27) was located 5 meters from the latter installation. A shed for tank trucks, in which 5 tank trucks were seen, had been built west of the garage (Object No 19). Three trucks were parked in front of the motor vehicle sheds (Object No 5) and 18 trucks and 8 van-like trucks were parked in the sheds. Trucks [redacted] jeep [redacted] and van-like truck [redacted] all of them with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were identified at the entrance to the installation. The AA gun emplacement was occupied by 6 x 37-mm AA guns and guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Intensive activity was seen at the temporary wooden buildings.⁴

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1. [redacted] Comment. A fighter regiment equipped with MiG-15s is believed to be stationed at Parndorf airfield. Aircraft [redacted] is reported for the first time from the area of the Fifty-Ninth Air Army. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Comment. Possibly part of the air force personnel stationed in Parndorf is quartered in Bruck/Laitha.

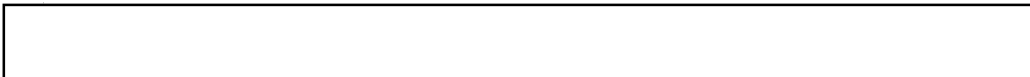
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3. [redacted] Comment. The small number of MiG-15s observed probably results from the fact that [redacted] not observe the eastern portion of the field.

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